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SUBJ: TELEVISION DISCUSSION OF MAOISM

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1. SOVIET CENTRAL TELEVISION DEVOTED HALF AN HOUR
OF PRIME TIME ON DECEMBER 17 TO DISCUSSION OF "MAOISM"
BY DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF FAR EAST INSTITUTE KRIVTSOV.

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KRIVTSOV, WHO HAS BEEN DESCRIBED BY A VISITING
AMERICAN SINOLOGIST AS "RABID" ON CHINA, DELIVERED

A POLEMICAL TIRADE AGAINST CHINESE PETTY-BOURGEOIS
AND CHAUVINIST DISTORTIONS OF MARXISM-LENINISM.

2. KRIVTSOV STRESSED MILITARIZATION OF CHINA,
PORTRAYING PRC AS TRAINING CAMP FOR VAST ARMY OF
FANATIC SOLDIERS, LOYAL TO MAO. ANOTHER PRIMARY
THEME IN HIS PRESENTATION WAS CONSTANT STRUGGLE
BY MAOISTS AGAINST SCIENTIFIC SOCIALISM. MAOIST
DICTATORSHIP IS CONTRARY TO INTERESTS OF CHINESE
PEOPLE, AND THEIR RESISTANCE TO IT IS RESPONSIBLE
FOR ONGOING STRUGGLE.

3. COMMENT: WE SUSPECT THIS TELEVISION DISCUSSION
OF MAOISM IS PART OF EFFORT TO PREPARE SOVIET PUBLIC
ON CHINA ISSUE IN ANTICIPATION OF INTERNATIONAL
COMMUNIST CONFERENCE. THE MESSAGE SEEMS TO BE THAT
MAOISM IS NOT MARXIST-LENINIST OR SOCIALIST, BUT
THAT INTERNAL RESISTANCE TO MAOISM MAY EVENTUALLY
PUT THINGS RIGHT.SOMMERLATTE

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